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Soviet Trade Statistics

- 1. The recent publication on the USSR of detailed trade statistics has raised the question of whether or not we should continue to contract with the Department of Commerce for such information. Would you please have the 5/TF people look into this and advise me of your position.
- 2. I should like to get enough detail in reply to be able to discuss the situation with the AD/RR and others who undoubtedly will raise questions concerning the continuation of this contract.

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